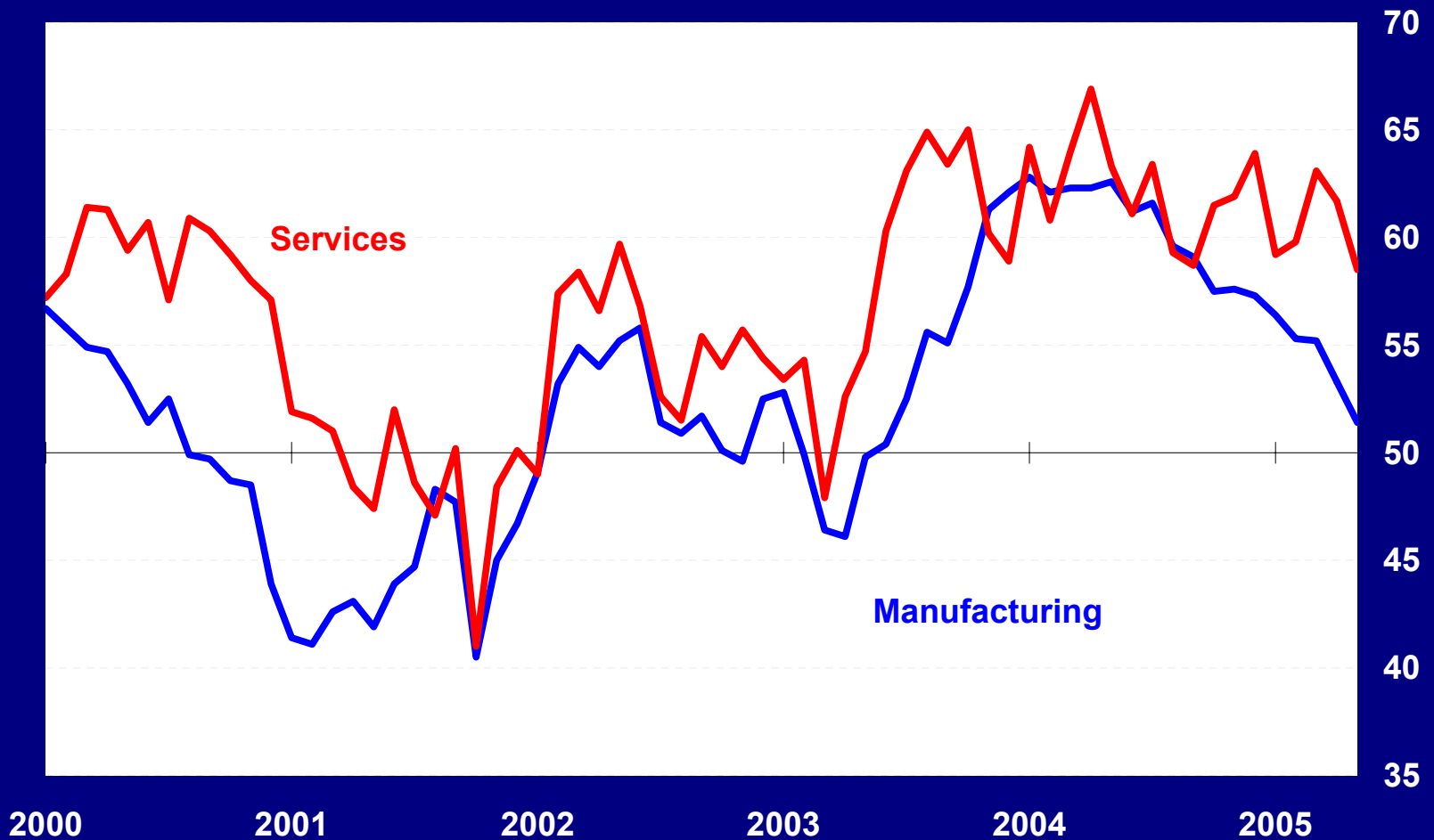


Robust Business Activity Continues

(ISM Index, reading of 50+ indicates sector expansion)



Source: Institute for Supply Management